

Washington State
Community Economic
Revitalization Board (CERB)

CERB 101 & the Application Process



Community Economic Revitalization Board

CERB is designed to



- Finance public infrastructure construction for private business development



- Assist local governments with economic development planning



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Eligible Jurisdictions

- Cities & Towns
- Counties
- Federally Recognized Tribes
- Municipal and Quasi-Municipal Corporations
- Port Districts
- Special Purpose Districts (e.g. PDAs, PUDs)



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Planning Grants

\$50,000 grant maximum

- \$50,000 grant (maximum)
- 25% cash match required of total project cost
- Must be ready to proceed within 4 months of Board approval
- Complete within 2 years



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Planning Grants

Site-specific plans and studies related to:

- Economic feasibility
- Environmental impacts
- Capital facilities
- Land use
- Permitting
- Marketing
- Project engineering & design
- Site planning



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Planning Grants

- Pre-contract conditions
- Ready to go to contract within 4 months of Board approval.
- Complete project within 2 years.



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Construction Programs

Committed Private Partner
Business in hand

Prospective Development
Build it and they will come

\$2 million loan max.

Up to \$300,000 subsidy or 50% of CERB request, whichever is less.

- 20% cash match of total project cost
- Private business partner committed to:
 - Significant job creation
 - Significant private capital investment
- Hourly wages of created jobs must **exceed** county median wage

Rural counties/communities ONLY

- 50% cash match of total project cost
- Demonstrate economic development feasibility with supporting study
 - Study must show likelihood of significant jobs and/or significant private investment

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Eligible Public Facility Projects

- Acquisition
- Construction
- Repair
- Reconstruction
- Replacement
- Rehabilitation

- Improvement of:
 - Bridges
 - Roads
 - Domestic & Industrial Water
 - Earth Stabilization
 - Sanitary Sewer
 - Storm Water
 - Railroad
 - Electricity
 - Telecommunications
 - Transportation
 - Natural Gas
 - Buildings or Structures
 - Port Facilities



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Not Eligible

CERB may not finance projects which:

- Result in retail development
- Facilitate gambling
- Displace jobs from one part of the state to another
- Are outside the applicant's jurisdiction

CERB does not contract with private business, only the local government applying for funds.

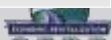


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County Median Hourly Wage
2013-15 Biennium

Adams	\$15.77	Grays Harbor	\$18.31	Pierce	\$20.41
Asotin	\$16.06	Island	\$18.22	San Juan	\$19.95
Benton	\$21.16	Jefferson	\$19.33	Skagit	\$18.99
Chelan	\$15.22	King	\$26.73	Skamania	\$17.71
Chillam	\$18.01	Kitsap	\$19.06	Snohomish	\$25.03
Clark	\$20.05	Kittitas	\$17.43	Spokane	\$18.90
Columbia	\$17.68	Klickitat	\$18.31	Stevens	\$17.91
Cowlitz	\$20.28	Lewis	\$18.44	Thurston	\$20.90
Douglas	\$15.24	Lincoln	\$17.91	Wahkiakum	\$19.57
Ferry	\$18.14	Mason	\$18.23	Walla Walla	\$16.76
Franklin	\$15.61	Okanogan	\$13.56	Whatcom	\$19.06
Garfield	\$17.99	Pacific	\$17.39	Whitman	\$19.77
Grant	\$15.59	Pend Oreille	\$20.15	Yakima	\$14.48

Source: Washington Employment Security Department, Labor Market & Economic Analysis Branch, Vancouver Office. 2014.



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PUBLIC SIDE - Infrastructure





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PRIVATE SIDE - Need for the Infrastructure





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Construction Programs

- Pre-contract conditions
- Ready to go to contract within 6 months of Board approval.
- Complete project within 4 years.



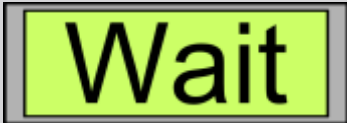
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How CERB works

- Board meets to review applications every two months.
- Applications are due 6-8 weeks prior to a meeting.
- Staff works with the client to vet the application and project.
- The applicant presents the proposal to the Board.
- The applicant will know at the meeting if their project is approved.
- CERB staff tracks projects for up to 5 years after project completion – *This includes mandatory reporting for the applicant and private partner.*



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- What does this mean for you and your community?
- How do you access CERB funding?
- What does the process look like?



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The slide features a black header with the text "Community Economic Revitalization Board" in yellow. The main content area has a light gray background. At the top, the title "Project Tracking" is displayed in a large, blue, 3D-outlined font. Below the title, the text "Job creation, wages, and private investment" is centered in a black, sans-serif font. In the center of the slide is a 3D graphic showing three blue human figures standing on a blue staircase that ascends from left to right, set against a light gray grid background. At the bottom, the text "Tracked for 5 years after a project is complete." is centered, with the word "after" underlined. In the bottom right corner, there is a circular logo for "Economic Development" featuring a stylized building and the text "Economic Development" and "GROWTH PARTNERS" below it.



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November - May
Application Due Dates & Board Meeting
Schedule

Tier 1 Application Deadline	Planning & Tier 2 Application Deadline	Board Meeting
September 14, 2015	September 28, 2015	November 19, 2015
November 16, 2015	November 30, 2015	January 21, 2016
January 19, 2016	February 1, 2016	March 17, 2016
March 14, 2016	March 28, 2016	May 19, 2016

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THANK YOU!

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